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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PDIP, OTRA (REDDY, SANJIVA)
SUBJECT: ADMISSION TO US HOSPITAL OF INDIAN PRESIDENT

1. THE FOREIGN SECRETARY URGENTLY INFORMED US AUGUST 30 THAT DURING A ROUTINE PHYSICAL EXAMINATION PERFORMED ON INDIAN PRESIDENT SANJIVA REDDY, IT WAS LEARNED THAT THERE WAS A LESION (SHADOW) ON THE PRESIDENT'S LUNG. THE PRESIDENT'S DOCTORS ARE CONCERNED THAT THE LESION MIGHT BE MALIGNANT AND HAVE ADVISED THAT HE TRAVEL TO THE UNITED STATES IMMEDIATELY FOR TREATMENT. ACCORDINGLY, THE PRESIDENT PLANS THE TRIP TO THE US ON EITHER FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 OR SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3. IT IS EXPECTED THAT HE WILL NEED TO REMAIN IN THE US FOR ABOUT A MONTH.

2. THE FOREIGN SECRETARY HAS REQUESTED THE ASSISTANCE OF THE US GOVERNMENT IN OBTAINING THE ADMISSION OF THE PRESIDENT TO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SLOAN-KETTERING INSTITUTE IN NEW YORK CITY. THE GOI WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED URGENTLY WHETHER ADMISSION OVER THE WEEK-END WILL BE POSSIBLE.

3. MEA IS ALSO COMMUNICATING WITH AMBASSADOR KEWAL SINGH BUT IT BELIEVES OUR COMMUNICATIONS MAY BE MORE RAPID AND USG
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INTERVENTION WILL BE NECESSARY IN ORDER TO OBTAIN PROMPT ADMISSION.

4. THE FOREIGN SECRETARY REQUESTED THAT THE PRESIDENT'S ILLNESS BE KEPT STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL THE GOI ISSUES A PRESS NOTE ON HIS CONDITION.

5. IN THE EVENT SLOAN-KETTERING WISHES TO BE IN TOUCH WITH THE PRESIDENT'S DOCTORS, HIS PERSONAL PHYSICIAN IS DR. BAJAJ AT THE ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES. HIS TELEPHONE ARE: OFFICE - 621870 AND RESIDENCE - 698539. THE SPECIALIST DEALING WITH THE PRESIDENT IS DR. JASAWALA OF THE TAT MEMORIAL CANCER HOSPITAL IN BOMBAY. DR. JASAWALA IS TRYING TO TELEPHONE DR. EDWARD BEATTI WHO IS CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND HEAD OF THE SURGERY DEPARTMENT AT SLOAN-KETTERING. THE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO BE IN TOUCH WITH DR. BEATTI IN REGARD TO THE PRESIDENT'S ADMISSION.

6. PLEASE KEEP THE EMBASSY INFORMED REGARDING PROGRESS ON MEETING THIS REQUEST.
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